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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY TO HOST FALL OPEN HOUSES

Eastern Illinois University in Charleston will host two fall open houses for prospective students and their families on Columbus Day, Monday, Oct. 9, and on Friday, Nov. 10.

Both open houses will follow the same schedule and are open to high school and community college students and other interested individuals. No reservations are required.

Parking will be available in any student or staff lot during the open houses. Signs will direct visitors to parking areas.

The open houses begin at 9 a.m. in the Grand Ballroom (2nd floor, east side) of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union on south Seventh Street.

Faculty from various academic departments and staff from student services, financial aid, housing and student life will be available from 9 a.m. to noon in the Grand Ballroom to answer questions. Tickets for complimentary lunch in the residence halls will be provided.

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Kim Hollingsworth, an EIU admissions counselor, said "'Panther Power Days' were a success last year when nearly 1,000 visitors were on campus for open houses. We'd like a repeat performance for the open house on Monday and in November."

"'Panther Power Days' make visiting students and their families aware of Eastern students' enthusiasm and support for the university," Hollingsworth said.

Hollingsworth and the entire admissions staff encourage the campus community to "spread the word" about both "Panther Power Days."

"Whatever Eastern can do to make a good impression on prospective students and have fun at the same time, the better chance we have of getting them to enroll here," Wolf said.

"With total campus support from students, staff and administrators, 'Panther Power Days' can become a fun and beneficial way to show school spirit and increase new student enrollment," Wolf added.

Monday's open house begins at 9 a.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Faculty from various academic departments and staff from student services, financial aid, housing and student life will be available until noon to answer questions. Tickets for complimentary lunch in the residence halls will be provided.

Other highlights include campus and residence hall tours from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., departing from the University Ballroom in the Union, and departmental open houses from 1 to 3 p.m.

For more information, call the admissions office at 581-2223.